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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 9236

Sandhya MISHRA et al.

Docket No. 2001-0120A

Serial No. 09/777,664

Group Art Unit 1651

Filed February 7, 2001

Examiner Irene Marx

AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE REMOVAL OF CALCIUM IONS FROM THE BRINE BY MARINE CYANOBACTERIA

AMENDMENT

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: